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### NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

#### Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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# RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION AND REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application--Filing Date Granted" dated February 26, 2001, a response to which is due April 26, 2001, enclosed herewith for filing is:

$\boxtimes$	A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts.
$\boxtimes$	Two original Combined Declarations and Powers of Attorney, executed each
	of the inventor(s). An unexecuted copy of this document, attached to the above-identified specification, was filed by Express Mail No. EL 219 293 111 US on December 28, 2000.
$\boxtimes$	An Associate Power of Attorney is also enclosed.
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	A sub	estitute specification in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.52.				
		Sheets of Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84.				
	Other	<del>-</del>				
	Appli	cant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.				
		cant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 §1.27 as:				
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	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
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ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME	\$55	\$	\$110	\$ 110
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Receipt is acknowledged of this nonprovisional Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION when inquiring about this application. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Customer Service Center. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the PTO processes the reply to the Notice, the PTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

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**Foreign Applications** 

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### REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

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- 2. There is an error with respect to the following data which is:
  - $\boxtimes$ incorrectly entered; and/or
  - X omitted.

Error in	Correct data
Applicants' names: name of 1st inventor needs correction name of 3rd inventor was omitted	<ul><li>Inventors:</li><li>1. ADDISON A. BARKSDALE</li><li>2. JAMIE SIMS</li><li>3. LARRY D. POWELL</li></ul>

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